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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 3958

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, PINT, MILI, ASEC, LE
SUBJECT: LEBANESE SITUATION: JULY 15, 1200 HOURS LOCAL

REF: BEIRUT 3942 (DTG 121235Z JUL 78)

1. PRESIDENT SARKIS HAS STILL NOT WITHDRAWN HIS THREAT TO
RESIGN.

2. THE UNEASY CEASE-FIRE STILL GENERALLY HOLDS. IKE ON JULY 15
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QUOTED SECURITY SOURCES AS SAYING THERE WAS A "REDUCTION
OF TENSION" IN EAST BEIRUT, BUT SNIPERS ARE STILL IN
ACTION IN AYN AR-RUMMANEH, SHIAH, ASHRAFIYAH AND FURN ASH
SHUBBAK.

3. ACCORDING TO DATT SOURCES, THERE IS MOVEMENT OF SYRIAN
ADF FORCES TOWARD DUHUR ASH SHUWAYR, AND CHRISTIANS FEAR

BIKFAYA, PIERRE GEMAYEL'S HOME VILLAGE, MAY BE THREATENED.

4. ACCORDING TO AN NLP SPOKESMAN, ON JULY 14 SNIPERS FIRED AT DANY CHAMOUN'S CAR IN THE AS SIOUFI AREA OF EAST BEIRUT. DANY WAS NOT IN THE CAR AT THE TIME, BUT ONE OF HIS BODY-GUARDS WAS WOUNDED, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

5. ACCORDING TO AP AND DATT SOURCES FATAH AND PRO-IRAQI PALESTINIAN LIBERATION FRONT (PLF) GUERRILLAS FOUGHT A DAY-LONG BATTLE IN THE AL-BASS CAMP NEAR TYRE ON JULY 14. A PLO OFFICIAL TOLD AP THAT SEVEN FIGHTERS WERE KILLED (SIX FROM THE PLF) AND TWELVE WOUNDED (TEN FROM THE PLF). FORTY-FIVE PLF FIGHTERS SURRENDERED WITH THEIR GUNS, THE OFFICIAL SAID. PARKER

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